

PORT AUTHORITY

Minutes of the 363rd Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Port Authority held at Port Authority 45 Harbour Drive at 1430 hours on Wednesday, 25 June 2014.

Present: Mr. Errol Bush MBE, (Chairman)
Mr. Gerry Kirkconnell, (Deputy Chairman)
Mr. Paul W. Hurlston, (Secretary)
Mr. Robert Foster
Mr. Ashton Bodden JP
Ms. Jacqueline Scott
Mr. Arek Joseph
Ms. Samantha Bennett
Mr Woody DaCosta

Attendees: Mr. Clement Reid – Deputy Port Director – Operations
Mr. Uche Obi – Lands & Survey
Mr. Jim Scott – Cruise Berthing Project; Project Manager

Apologies: Mr. Stran Bodden JP
Mr. Michael Nixon

		NOTICE AND QUORUM	
		The Chairman noted that due notice of the Meeting had been given to all Members and that a quorum existed. Accordingly, the Meeting could proceed.	

1		Welcome and Call to Order	
		The Chairman welcomed members.	
2		Apologies and absences	
		See Above	
3		Confirmation of Previous Minutes	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 362 minutes were Approved on a motion moved by Mr. Ashton Bodden and seconded by Mr. Robert Foster. 	
4		Matters Arising	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Clement Reid clarified the instructions issued directly to him by Minister Kirkconnell to install water and electricity for individual slips and street lights at the Port Authority's Marina (PAM). These are being priced. • The Water Sports Operators (WSO) at the PAM have to date refused to sign a Licence Agreement to occupy the PAM with the Port Authority. It was Agreed that the WSO at the PAM will be given an extension until 31 August 2014 to sign a Licence Agreement and those that fail to do so by that date will be evicted from the PAM and the vacant boat slips will be advertised to the general public. It was further Agreed that the Licence Agreement should be for a period of 10 years. The Board of Directors asked the Secretary to 	

		<p>write to Minister Kirkconnell informing him of their decisions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was Agreed that staff is required at the PAM if it is to operate properly. The Board of Directors Agreed for management to explore hiring staff directly or through a company to manage the PAM. The Board of Directors asked the Secretary to write to Minister Kirkconnell informing him of their decision. • Mr. Reid said that easement rights over the Ritz Carlton's water way were now being dealt with between our attorneys Maples and the Ritz Carlton attorney's Conyer Dill & Pearman. • Mr. Reid said that the WSO have informed him that they will now go back to court over their rights to occupy the PAM. • The current cost of the water used at the PAM is averaging over CI\$5,000.00 per month. • Mr. Reid has met with the RCIP over road closures that affect the Port Authority's cargo operations. It is thought that better communications between all parties could alleviate or lessen the impact; however, the RCIP did say that often the final decision remains with the Government and they can and do override their recommendations. 	
5.		Safehaven Marina update	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Above Under Matter Arising 	
6.		CDC Land used by Customs for Scanning of Containers	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Uche Obi was asked to value the portion of land used by H.M. Customs at the CDC for scanning of containers. The Board of Directors asked the Secretary to write to the Minister 	

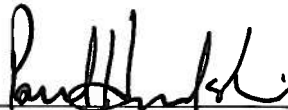
		Kirkconnell requesting his assistance in getting the Government to compensate the Port Authority for this property.	
7.		Update on Bodden Family Land Purchase	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bodden Family has presented another proposal to the Chairman for a land purchase. The proposal forms a part of these minutes. • The new proposal is for the sale of approximately 1.81 acres of land on the south boundary of the CDC. The asking price is CI\$1,977,525.00 or CI\$25.00 per square foot. • Mr. Obi said that the value of land in this area is currently about CI\$12.00 per square foot. The Government will sometimes pay a high rate but normally not more than 20% higher, he said. It was Agreed for L&S through Mr. Obi to offer the Bodden Family up to CI\$14.00 per square foot and under payment terms to be negotiated and ranging up to possibly 5 years. • The suggestion of using the option of a compulsory acquisition by the Port Authority was dismissed as not suitable. 	
8.		Update Cruise Project – Mr. Jim Scott.	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Scott report forms a part of these minutes. • The following Mr. Scott highlighted:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PriceWaterHouse (PWC) is currently working on the financial transaction structure aspect for the cruise berths project. ○ The EIA is approximately 15% complete and engineering is also being done. ○ A complete Geotechnical Study will cost about CI\$2 million and is not in the current 	

		<p>project budget. However, in the absence of a complete study results it is expected that potential contractors will be given some existing geotechnical information and it is then assume that their bids with be priced to reflect contingencies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Under the current time line, construction would commence in 2016 and conclude in about 2019. ○ Mr. Scott said the cruise project steering group has not been privy to the work of the George Town Revitalization Committee undertaken by Ministry responsible for Works. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● It was Agreed the Mr. Scott will be invited perhaps quarterly to update the Board of Directors. 	
5.		Other Business	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A donation to FC International annual Football kid's summer camp was not Approved. ● The Letter from Ritch & Conolly regarding George Bush and Carson Ebanks outlined that their status were as previous contractors and not Port Authority employees. This letter forms a part of these minutes. ● Road Closure (see above Matters Arising) ● RWCT- space request for business – The Board of Directors reconfirmed that no further applications will be approved. ● Mr. Woody DaCosta submitted to the Board of Directors Mr. Shaun Ebanks employment résumé seeking the position of PAM Harbour Master. No decision was taken on this. ● The Department of Tourism made a request for the Port Authority to assume the costs associated with having musical bands play at the cruise terminals. This is estimated to cost CI\$60,000.00 	

		per year. No decision was taken.	
		Adjournment	
		There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1715 hours.	



Errol Bush – (Chairman)



Paul W. Hurlston (Secretary)